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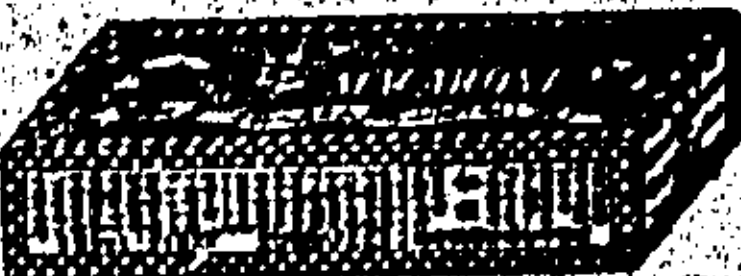
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THE IRISH SETTLEMENT.

BILL PASSES ITS SECOND READING.

LONDON, March 31st.

In the House of Commons, Sir Edward Carson, opening the final stages of the Home Rule debate, while recording his unflinching opposition to the whole policy of Home Rule and disclaiming any responsibility for the scheme, said it would have been easy for him to say "that he would continue the fight to the finish, but the cardinal facts were that the Act of 1914 was on the Statute Book, and that pledges had been given to Ulster."

Many old friends were calling him "Traitor" because he was not fighting to the end, but he had been offered a Parliament for six counties, and could not ask Ulster to give rifles and fight for what was offered to Ulster. His duty was clear. He would not vote for the Bill, but he would not prevent it passing.

He challenged the Labourites to go to the country with the announced determination to drive Ulster under a Sinn Féin Parliament in Dublin by the forces of the Crown, or to give Ireland an actual or potential Republic, or to tell the electorate what would be the conditions of the western ports of Ireland as havens and harbours for an enemy in the event of another war. The last war could not have been won under such conditions.

Referring to the assassinations in Ireland, he expressed the opinion that they were not committed by Irishmen, but by ill-conditioned men returned from America. He agreed that the present Bill modified his objection to the Act of 1914, but declared that if anyone was able to speak for South Ireland and appealed to him on the ground of patriotism to do his best to start good government, he would most heartily agree and would anticipate the most speedy union in one Parliament. (Loud cheers.) But unfortunately, that was not their task. He promised that Ulster would do her level best with her Parliament.

Mr. W. Adamson, dealing with Mr. Bonar Law's question as to whether the Labour Party was prepared to give Ireland a Republic, pointed out that the granting of Dominion Home Rule had not resulted in the establishment of any independent Republic. On the contrary, the Colonies had been earnest friends and supporters of the Mother Country. Why, then, should the grant of Dominion Home Rule to Ireland be dangerous? Personally, he suggested either the grant of full self-government to Ireland, with provision for the protection of minorities, questions of defence and foreign relations being reserved for the Imperial Parliament, or that an Assembly, representing the whole of the Irish people, elected by proportional representation, should draw a new constitution with a similar provision and reservation.

Mr. Lloyd George, who was loudly cheered, emphasised that the difficulty was that no proposals were acceptable to any Party in Britain that would be accepted by any Party in Ireland. The debate clearly demonstrated that the Government's plan held the field. Undoubtedly, the majority of Irishmen wanted independence and an Irish Republic, but was there a single party in the House of Commons that would support them? It was useless to talk of self-determination, for the supporters of it must go the full length of granting an Irish Republic. Self-determination did not mean that every part of a country which had been acting together for a century was entitled to say that it meant to establish a separate Republic.

Mr. Lloyd George declared that if any section of Wales wished to establish a Welsh Republic he would oppose it to the furthest limit possible. If Britain demanded self-determination, it did not mean that France, who favoured the principle of self-determination, ought to accede to the demand. He asked the leader of the Labourites if he favoured an application of the principle of self-determination to Ireland.

Mr. Clynes, after some hesitation, said not as Mr. Lloyd George defined it. Mr. Lloyd George said that meant that the Labour Party was opposed to any Irish demand for a Republic. He expressed gratification at that, and he told the Labourites not to make the Irish Electorate. (Loud cheers.) He asserted that no section of Ireland would accept Mr. Asquith's plan. As no party in Great Britain would accept the proposal favoured by the majority of Irish opinion, the British Government with its responsibility for the United Kingdom and the whole Empire, must exercise its wisest considered judgment.

He related Mr. Devlin's criticism regarding the Irish Parliament's restricted powers, and asserted that if Scotland and Wales, which were as intensely patriotic and national as Ireland, were offered a similar measure they would gratefully accept it. Mr. Asquith's picture of the Irish Council as a fleshless, bloodless skeleton was not even remotely accurate. He asked why union should be forced on Ireland at the outset when Irishmen could not achieve that for themselves. Unity would depend on the attitude of the Southern Sinn Féiners.

Referring to the recent motion in the United States' Senate, he pointed out that the ancestors of some of those who supported the motion fought to death against conceding to the Southern United States the very demand they were now supporting for Ireland. If that demand were persisted in it would lead to exactly the same measures of repression as in the Southern States of America. We claimed nothing more than that which the United States claimed for themselves. (Loud cheers.) We would stand for no less. (Cheers.) Certain powers, like the Customs control, might be conferred on Ireland if she settled down and accepted a union, but at present it would be placing dangerous weapons in the hands of an infuriated people. He concluded that it was his sanguine belief that the Bill would lead to that union, though not within one, two or three years.

The Home Rule Bill was read a second time by 248 votes to 94.

FRANCE'S FOREIGN POLICY.

IMPORTANT DEBATE IN THE CHAMBER.

PARIS, March 27th.

A Havas message says:— In a speech in the Chamber, M. Millerand said as the Treaty constituted France's sole protection it was her imperative duty not to tolerate any weakening of it.

The French Government propose to say to the German Government, "France is not a land of hatred and vengeance. She demands only justice, but she demands it imperatively. You say that in order to keep your engagements you must be able to live and work. The French Government does not exclude the possibility of economic collaboration, but it is to the German Government to give proof of its good faith by fulfilling its obligations." France, he said, was magnanimous, but she did not intend to be a dupe when Paris was threatened and London was no longer safe. The interest of the Allies was to show a united front, and none of the Allies doubted this truth.

M. BARTHOU.

PARIS, March 27th.

A Havas message says:— M. Barthou's speech in the Chamber, on Thursday, attacking the British Government, has aroused much criticism in the French Press.

The *Journal des Debats*, after admitting that British policy had occasionally been contradictory, says M. Barthou denounced these contradictions with a bitterness of language and a passion which one would not have expected from a statesman. The *Temps*, in a leading article, attacks the British public not to imagine that the French Chamber is in any way hostile to England. Occasional divergences of opinion, it says, may excite irritation, which, however, is quickly dispelled by speeches like the one made in the House of Commons by Mr. Lloyd George.

FRANCE IN THE NEAR EAST.

PARIS, March 28th.

A Havas message says:— Speakers in the Chamber, discussing Turkey, declared that the Allies' victory had shattered pan-German dreams in the East. France should not abandon her position in Syria and Cilicia, because she had a right to be there.

The ex-Premier, M. Briand, declared that if France did not take her place in Cilicia, others would. Emir Feisal should be Administrator under French control. M. Briand emphasised the difficulties of confronting the Allies with the Turkish question. He paid a tribute to the goodwill of Britain.

M. Millerand, winding up the debate, declared that France in conjunction with the Allies would make her rights respected.

A VOTE OF CONFIDENCE.

PARIS, March 29th.

A Havas message says:— The debate on foreign policy in the Chamber of Deputies ended with a vote of confidence in the Government being passed by 518 votes to 70.

Before the close of the debate, M. Millerand said that France was foreign to any imperialistic or Militarist idea; she only took up arms in her defence, but though she supported, without faltering, most fearful sacrifices when she had to fight for her life and the safety of the whole world, she would be unworthy of her victory and of her dead if she allowed to slip from her hands results which it was her duty and honour to consolidate after having obtained them. That is why she would insist on all her rights being respected.

FINANCE SITUATION IMPROVED.

M. Francois Marais, Finance Minister, in the Chamber, said France's financial situation has now improved and would be entirely satisfactory by July if production were not hindered.

BRITAIN AND AMERICA.

SOME INTERESTING NAVAL COMPARISONS.

LONDON, March 31st.

In the House of Commons, at questioning, Mr. Walter Long made a statement as regards the report of an American Navy "equal the British by 1924."

He said the statement that the United States' Navy Estimates exceed Britain's by £1,000,000 did not represent a fair comparison, for at the current rate of exchange the United States' Estimates were approximately £223,000,000 more than Britain's.

Moreover, if the £223,000,000 terminal war expenses in the British Estimates were subtracted, the United States' Estimates would be £44,000,000 in excess of the British.

As regards the personnel figures, Britain's 136,000, falling to 131,000 by the end of the year, included all ranks and ratings of officers, men and marines whereas the United States' figures of 120,000 was the total of enlisted men only, excluding officers and marines; therefore, the comparative total was 147,000.

Furthermore, the British personnel was being reduced, while the United States' Estimates provided for the personnel increasing. When the British numbers had fallen to 131,000, the United States would have risen to 177,000.

ITALY'S LOYALTY TO THE ALLIES.

AN AGREEMENT WITH JUGOSLAVIA.

ROME, March 28th.

In the Chamber Signor Nitti emphasised Italy's complete loyalty to the Allies, and urged the necessity of solving the Adriatic question by an agreement with Yugoslavia.

DISASTROUS TORNADO IN AMERICA.

HEAVY DAMAGE IN CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, March 29th.

Twenty people were killed and hundreds injured in the tornado. Many buildings in the north-western suburbs were demolished. The damage is estimated at several millions of dollars.

FURTHER DETAILS.

NEW YORK, March 29th.

The towns of Elgin and Joliet, Illinois, suffered severely. Eight were killed and hundreds injured.

Four million dollars' damage was done in the business quarter of Elgin. Two hundred houses in Alhambra Park were wrecked, and many at Danmington. Fires started in the wreckage at Evansville and Wilmette but were prevented from spreading.

The storm was especially severe in Michigan in the regions of Alhambra, Battle Creek and Lansing, extending east as far as Bay City.

The town of Edmerton, Indiana, with a population of 500, was virtually destroyed. There were many casualties. Swanton, Greenville, and Kank's Corner, Ohio, were razed. La Grange and West Point, Georgia, were seriously damaged.

Numerous places were completely isolated owing to the telegraph wires being blown down; hence full details are not yet available.

BRITISH TRANSPORT.

A THREATENED EASTER STRIKE.

LONDON, March 31st.

The Easter tramway and bus strike is still uncertain. A meeting of employers and employees at the Ministry of Labour is endeavouring to find a basis of compromise. It is understood there is the possibility of a settlement on a 6/- weekly increase.

Sir Eric Geddes, to-day, introduced in the House of Commons, a Bill enabling tramways to increase their fares with a view to meeting the demands for higher wages.

A SETTLEMENT.

LATER.

The tram and bus dispute has been settled and the strike notices cancelled. Workers over 18 will receive a 1/- weekly increase from March 20th, and a further shilling from June 1st, and the juniors half these amounts.

BRITAIN'S REVENUE.

INCREASES FROM ALL SOURCES.

LONDON, March 31st.

The revenue for the past quarter was £643,250,000, an increase of £233,500,000 as compared with the corresponding quarter of 1919.

The revenue for the fiscal year ended to-day was £1,339,500,000, an increase of £420,500,000 as compared with 1918-1919.

All sources of Revenue show increases, except Land Values and Crown Lands, which show trifling deficits. The biggest items are: Income Tax, £338,000,000; Excise Profits, £224,000,000; and Miscellaneous, £280,000,000. The latter was mostly derived from the sale of war stores.

THE RUMANIAN OIL WELLS.

DECISION AGAINST THE CROWN.

LONDON, March 28th.

The King's Bench has decided against the Crown in an action by the Rumanian Consulate for £1,250,000 compensation for the destruction of oil wells in 1918, but has refused to assess the damage.

THE PRINCE OF WALES.

DENIES A RUMOUR.

LONDON, March 29th.

Reuter's correspondent on board H.M.S. *Renown* says that the Prince of Wales was given an ovation at Barbados. Enthusiasm reached a climax when the Prince, at a banquet, contradicted the rumour of the possibility of Britain's selling a part of the West Indies to America.

ANOTHER AMERICAN SENSATION.

A COAL CONSPIRACY DISCOVERED.

INDIANAPOLIS, March 28th.

The names of 125 miners and mineowners of bituminous coal mines, who have been indicted for conspiracy to raise the price of coal, have been issued. They include Mr. Lewis, Acting President, and Mr. Green, Secretary of the Miners' Union; Mr. Brewster, Chairman of the Operators Scale Committee, and others prominent in connection with the strike of last autumn.

U.S. MINISTER TO DENMARK.

MR. JOSEPH GREW APPOINTED.

WASHINGTON, March 28th.

The appointment of Mr. Joseph C. Grew as United States Minister to Denmark is confirmed.

FRENCH TEXTILE WORKERS STRIKE.

150,000 MEN AFFECTED.

BOURBAIL, March 29th.

A general strike of textile workers has been declared. One hundred and fifty thousand workers are affected.

THE WAR ON BOLSHIEVISM.

VOLUNTEER ARMY'S COMPLETE COLLAPSE.

LONDON, March 28th.

A Moscow wireless message says that Bolshievist have captured Novorossisk, depriving Denikin of his last base.

It is learned in Paris from Novorossisk that the Volunteer Army has completely collapsed, and that civil war in Russia seems practically at an end. The "front" is non-existent, 30,000 soldiers have left the fighting line and gathered at Novorossisk. Allied warships are standing by to protect the evacuation.

Members of the British Mission are embarking from Novorossisk for Constantinople.

POLAND SUGGESTS PEACE.

WARSAW, March 28th.

The Government has sent a wireless message to Moscow that Poland is prepared to negotiate peace with Soviet Russia.

THE SITUATION IN GERMANY.

UNRULY PRINCES SUMMONED.

BERLIN, March 28th.

The *Local-Anzeiger* says that Princes Joachim of Prussia and Hohenzollern of Langenburg and Captain Von Plabed have been summoned in connection with the incident in the Hotel Adlon. The first named has not been charged with assault but with attempted intimidation.

DISQUIETING NEWS FROM RUHR.

BERLIN, March 28th.

News from the Ruhr Valley continues to be disquieting. It is reported that the Government has sent ultimatum to the Workers' Army, allowing three days fully to observe a truce. Otherwise most drastic steps will be taken.

A telegram from Muenster says that the commander of the Reichswehr of Ruhr, who visited Wesel, reports that the workers have suffered heavily in men and material. There is no longer any fear of a resumption of the bombardment.

REDS DEFEATED AT WESEL.

LONDON, March 28th.

The latest news from Germany is more hopeful. It is reported that the Reds have been defeated at Wesel, where Government troops have been reinforced from Germany. The Reds have now asked for an armistice.

A RETURN TO NORMAL.

LONDON, March 29th.

Latest British telegrams from Berlin state that the situation in Germany is "returning to normal."

It appears that the food shortage damped the enthusiasm of the Reds. Fights are still reported but the accuracy of the reports are often doubtful.

The position in the Ruhr Valley is much quieter. The latest news from the Rhineland and Westphalia indicates that order is gradually being restored.

Probably the Red headquarters at Muelheim will soon be isolated, owing to the Socialists breaking away.

UNWARRANTED GERMAN ACTION.

PARIS, March 29th.

Official quarters declare that it is confirmed that German Regulars have entered the Ruhr district without the permission of the Allies, and assert that the action is totally unwarranted. The number of troops concerned is estimated to be from 8,000 to 10,000.

Meanwhile Reuter's Berlin correspondent says the Government is negotiating with the Independent Socialist leader, Herr Cohn, with a view to modifying its ultimatum to the workers in the Ruhr region, as it is pointed out to the Government that if the workers are driven to desperation they may flood the mines and blow up the blast furnaces.

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OPENS.

BERLIN, March 29th.

The Nation Assembly opened to-day. The Chancellor, Herr Mueller, in a speech, announced the further democratisation of their institutions, including the Civil Service. He declared that those who had made common cause with Rapp must disappear. Unfaithful Military formations would be disbanded and a new real People's Army created. Democrats must be placed in commanding positions everywhere.

He outlined extensive social legislation and said the mines would be publicly administered, that the Empire would participate in the management of the collieries and later take over the coal and potash syndicates. (Cheers.)

He foreshadowed early elections and declared that the Government had been negotiating with the Allies with the object of sending reinforcements to the Ruhr region. He declared that the Allies up to the present would agree only if equivalent Allied forces entered at other places, and in this connection the Allies demanded the occupation of Frankfurt, Hamburg, and Darmstadt.

A DANISH CRISIS.

KING DISMISSES THE CABINET.

COPENHAGEN, March 29th.

The King has taken the almost unprecedented step of dismissing the Danish Cabinet. The reasons are not stated.

SANITARY BOARD ELECTION.

An election of a member to the Sanitary Board will take place at the City Hall on Monday, April 12th, commencing at 4 p.m.

The name of every candidate has to be nominated in writing by one elector and seconded by another, and the nomination delivered to the Registrar of the Supreme Court not less than four days before the day fixed for the election. Every nomination must be personally handed to the Registrar by the candidate or the nominator, or secondor.

In the event of the election being contested voting will commence immediately after the nominations have been read and continue until 6 p.m., when the ballot-box will be closed.

EASTER IN HONGKONG.

WELL ATTENDED CHURCH SERVICES.

AT ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

The Easter services in the local Churches were well attended. At St. John's Cathedral the number of communicants was unusually large, especially on Good Friday and yesterday. The first service on Good Friday was at 10 a.m., followed by Matins at 11 a.m. and the Meditation on the Passion at noon. In the evening, Evensong was well attended, and a helpful address was given by the Rev. P. H. Copley Moyle.

THE ORATORIO AT ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

St. John's Cathedral was crowded on the night of Good Friday to hear the Oratorio by a choir of nearly seventy voices, and it was the general opinion that as a musical effort we have had, nothing in Hongkong to compare with it in recent years with the exception of the very successful rendering of "The Messiah" three years ago. Mr. Denman Fuller, the organist and choir-master, is entitled to the highest compliments upon securing such a combination of musical talent and in training it, in the short time since his return to the Colony, to the degree of perfection reached on Friday night.

Mr. Denman Fuller opened the Oratorio with a rendering of Elgar's "Meditation" (Lux Christi), which he played with skill and sympathy.

One can hardly refrain from writing of the chorus in what may appear to be extravagant terms of praise, for their work was extremely well done. Mr. Fuller had chosen four of the works of a gifted American composer, H. B. Gaul, for the chorus, and except for the thought that obtained itself occasionally that one or two of the pieces were a trifle too high for the range of the voices in the chorus, nothing can be said of the choice of the pieces or of their rendering but the fullest praise. There was more unison singing in the choruses than one is accustomed to in that class of work, but the parts were well balanced, and there was never a discordant note. As an illustration that some of Gaul's music was too high for the Hongkong amateurs, it was noticeable that in the last chorus "My help cometh from the Lord" the contraltos had to come to the rescue of the tenors, who could not sustain a high range. There were ten contraltos, ten tenors, fourteen basses and the rest were sopranos, and the harmony was perfect.

Of the solos, Mr. Howard Freeborn, who has an excellent and robust tenor voice, was greatly appreciated in Gounod's "From thy Love as a Father" and "As a spirit thou dost pass" but in his duet "Love divine" with Mrs. Duncan, it was obvious that he had been given too much singing to do.

Mrs. Brown who sang "Come, ye Children" (Sullivan) in a rich and pure soprano, is a distinct acquisition to local musical circles.

Mrs. R. K. Duncan, who has sung in several previous oratorios, was in fine voice, and her solo "Be Thou my help," to a setting by A. J. Cowie, was sung with all the feeling and sympathy essential to its successful rendition. In the duet "Love divine" Mrs. Duncan also sang her part very sweetly and effectively.

Mrs. A. O. Brown sang Elgar's "Thou only hast the word of life," but it was not a solo altogether suited to her cultured and melodious voice.

The duet "When He was come down" by Messrs. C. H. Piercy (bass) and A. H. Compton (tenor) was not by any means the least appreciated of the items in the programme. Mr. Piercy did his very best with the part, which was really meant for a much heavier bass. He is, as he showed, a singer with a future. Mr. Compton's tenor was heard to excellent advantage in the duet, but he was not quite so successful in his solo effort "Lord, I am not worthy." This item was meant for a purer tenor than Mr. Compton possesses; his voice is rather inclined to the baritone. Mr. Piercy's solo "And Jesus said" was a most creditable effort.

Those who took part on Friday were: Mrs. H. Bunje, Mrs. B. Harker, Mrs. Johnstone, Mrs. A. O. Brown, Mrs. Bowen, Mrs. Skilton, Mrs. R. K. Duncan, Mrs. Bentley, W. Winfield, Mrs. R. Brown, Miss Cress, Miss Cornwell, Miss Atkins, Miss Higgins, Mrs. Drew, Miss Williams, Miss Holloway, Miss Jack, Miss B. Jennings, Miss Wilson, Miss D. May, Miss N. Williams, Miss Roberts, Miss M. Mow Pung, Miss Cooper, Miss E. Paterson, Mrs. Hickling, Mrs. Irvine, Mrs. Stubbing, Mrs. Brett, Miss Price, Miss Hewitt, Masters-Dodd, J. Collett, H. Martin, B. Collett, Phillips, Bollitt, Wilcock, Blackford, May, Mr. F. Williams, Mr. G. Davis, Mr. J. H. R. Freeborn, Mr. A. B. Haven, Mr. M. B. Bell, Mr. E. Bullock, Mr. R. H. Jewsbury, Mr. G. E. Longyear, Mr. A. H. Compton, Lt. Col. Crocose, Capt. Eklinton, Mr. Gardner, Mr. O. Orispin, Mr. P. Schnepel, Mr. W. Winfield, Mr. H. Sykes, Lt. J. Bryant, Mr. E. T. Crockett, Mr. W. H. Edwards, Mr. A. J. W. Rosser, Mr. C. A. Grimes, Mr. G. H. Hackett, Mr. B. Paul, Mr. G. H. Piercy, Mr. Hazel Smith, Mr. F. Wain.

The programme was as follows:—

Organ Solo—"Meditation" (Lux Christi), Mr. Denman Fuller, E. Elgar.
Chorus—"Thine Arm, O Lord," H. B. Gaul.
Solo—"From thy Love as a Father," Mr. Howard Freeborn, Gounod.
Solo—"Come ye Children," Mrs. R. K. Duncan, Sullivan.
Recitative—"When He was come down," Mr. G. H. Piercy and Mr. A. H. Compton, H. B. Gaul.
Solo—"Be Thou my help," Mrs. R. K. Duncan, A. J. Cowie.
Chorus—"Be ours the hearts," H. B. Gaul.
Recitative—"And Jesus said," Mr. G. H. Piercy, H. B. Gaul.
Solo—"Lord, I am not worthy," Mr. A. H. Compton, H. B. Gaul.
Chorus—"Do Thou our Great Deliverer," H. B. Gaul.
Solo—"As a Spirit dost Thou Pass," Mr. Howard Freeborn, E. Elgar.
Solo—"Thou only hast the word of life," Mrs. A. O. Brown, E. Elgar.
Chorus—"Lord, on us thy Spirit pour," H. B. Gaul.
Duet—"Love Divine," Mrs. R. K. Duncan and Mr. Howard Freeborn, Stainer.
Chorus—"My Help Cometh from the Lord," H. B. Gaul.
A collection in aid of the Organ Fund was taken during the singing of the hymn "Rock of Ages."

AT ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

St. John's Cathedral was tastefully decorated for the Easter Services yesterday. There were large congregations present at Communion, Matins and Evensong. At the Matins, the Bishop of Victoria officiated, assisted by the Rev. V. H. Copley Moyle. Special psalms were sung and an anthem was rendered by the choir.

The Bishop of Victoria (Hongkong) was the preacher yesterday morning. His text was "He must reign till He has put all enemies under His feet." (1 Cor. XV. 25). He said: When the Japanese began to turn their attention to Western nations as models for their re-construction last century one of them said to Dr. Eugene Stock, "We may even adopt Christianity as our national religion," to which Dr. Stock replied, "What good will that do you if it is not true?" and thus asserted the principle we can never ignore that Christianity claims an historic basis. It is not a moral philosophy or a code of ethics. It is the result of a stupendous fact that God became incarnate in this world, was put to death and rose again the third day. Either the resurrection of Christ is a fact or it is not. Many of the cleverest men of the age are satisfied that it is a fact, or, at any rate, the difficulty of accounting for the existence of Christianity on any other theory is insuperable. Yes, we believe Christ rose from the dead and that He must reign. He ever claimed a kingdom and he was raised to be a Prince as well as a Saviour. The apostles preached His resurrection as a fact and the Church has done so all along the ages, and signs have followed in the spirit given to men like Saul of Tarsus and hosts of others in every age and the same is going on now. Confirmed of last month in this diocese were very varied—poor lepers, educated Chinese and British soldiers, and sailors, all alike voluntarily bear witness to the power of His resurrection. Yes, He reigns over thousands of all races and He must reign throughout the whole world. That alone is certain. The true Christian cannot be a pessimist. Whatever the future has in store for our civilization, our organized society, our nation we know not; but we know that the Kingdom of our Lord and His Christ. The enemies that will be put under His feet are all sinful passions—greed, envy, hatred, malice, stupidity and ugliness—but these things still have a good deal of fight in them, and it seems as if in this age Christ will only triumph over them by the devotion of his followers. To-day there is a trumpet call to rally to His side—to do one's bit so that He may triumph. Perhaps the greatest need of the Church of England is more moral earnestness for Christ. I can understand and sympathize with any who have difficulty in believing the facts of the Incarnation and Resurrection. I believe our Lord will be tender towards such, provided that they are honest and really weigh all the evidence. If they are truly anxious to do God's will, they will be long know of the doctrine. Yes, I can understand their attitude, but I cannot respect the attitude of those who believe the Articles of the Creed and yet remain indifferent concerning them—no say the outward observances of religion are not in their line or who leave it to their wives. I do not plead for a revival of the severe Puritan Sunday, and I know there is nothing necessarily permanent about our Matins and Evensong, but I say that loyalty to Christ will necessitate some religious recognition of the Lord's Day and the observance of his regulation concerning the Lord's Supper. We need more earnestness and stronger corporate Church life. The Christian society our Lord founded is not an insurance society to save our poor, stupid and stupid souls; perhaps they are hardly worth saving, but an army to fight against every wrong and to make Jesus King. We want much more esprit de corps. It is depressing that business meetings of the congregation are only attended by very few people. Opposition is better than indifference; that shows life. Indifference may mean spiritual deadness. If Christ must reign there must be on the part of His followers a wide vision, a broad outlook and bold enterprise. Christian education must be taken up on a really big scale; old buildings rebuilt, old methods scrapped, and if tens of thousands of dollars are needed, Churchmen must find them. The new

Bishop will need to be partly supported by the members of the Church of England. I am not one of those who say "No Bishop, no Church." To me God seems to be using our non-Episcopal brethren to win souls and hasten His Kingdom. They are our Allies in this great spiritual war. But for ourselves Bishops are not anachronisms. They are links with the whole Church; they are desirable for the order, the continuity and the unity of our church, and I hope Church of England people will see that the new bishop has a house to live in, and that they will cordially support him in his efforts to extend Christ's Kingdom amongst the millions of Chinese in his diocese. Is it nothing to you that there is a supreme opportunity of winning the allegiance of this intelligent, industrious and peaceable people for Christ's army? It would be quite possible for English Churchmen here to undertake the evangelisation of this colony as the Anglican Church's share in that enterprise and thus relieve the Church Missionary Society of the support of some nine or ten missionaries. The clergy amongst them might be Missionary Canon of this Cathedral. Be sure of this whether you cooperate or not this is the cause that will prevail and when Christ's triumph is complete and we stand before Him the one question that will matter will be "Did we do our part in bringing about that triumph?"

The Holy Communion was again celebrated at 3.30 p.m. yesterday followed by a children's service, at which the Rev. M. W. Shewell, Chaplain to the Forces, delivered an address. The Cathedral was almost full yesterday evening.

AT THE UNION CHURCH.

The Rev. J. Kirk Macdonachie, who may here be mentioned, is leaving for home on a well earned holiday at the end of the present month—soon after the Rev. G. J. Williams, who was pastor of the Union Church about 20 years ago, arrives from Australia to take charge of the pastorate temporarily—preached a very stimulating sermon at the morning service yesterday. Taking as his text "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek the things which are above, where Christ is, seated on the right hand of God (col. 3. v. 1), the preacher said:—

"We live by aspiration, hope and love"; never did poet pen a truer line than that of Wordsworth's. Destroy these and life ceases, leaving only existence as a stagnant pool. The pool needs to be stirred, as in morbid conditions of the body the patient must be brought to live before he will rise himself. Within limits it may be said truly that people live so long as they have an object before them, and very little longer. Have you not, for instance, seen love conquer death many a time, and people who themselves would be glad to rest go on living for someone else's sake? Have you not also known the tide of sickness turned hope, when some piece of good news was able to rally the ebbing forces of vitality, renewing life where death threatened? As for aspiration, it is a potent ally to the hope of life, the love of it, and therefore also the continuance of it. The student, the investigator, the explorer has always something more to seek for; he would fain have his time over again, to begin where he leaves off. As for workers in God's Kingdom, old Robert Moffatt spoke for them all at the close of his eighty years:—"O for another life to spend among the heathen!"

Now, the preaching of the gospel of Jesus Christ was, broadly regarded, life from the dead. That is agreed among those who have most knowledge of the condition, intellectual and moral, of our early times. The resurrection of the Lord was the type of a newness of life to men who had been dead in trespasses and sins. That is the unvarying point of view in which these apostolic letters are written to the Christian communities gathered out of the great pagan cities of the old Empire. The constant appeal to those who have entered upon the Christian way is that in their case there has been a "new creation" and that they are living on a new basis. The faith of the resurrection is never separated from the higher ideal of living which it inspires. "If thou shalt confess with thy mouth Jesus Christ as Lord and believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved." So writes St. Paul, and that he is thinking of no merely verbal confession he shows by adding, "For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. Saving faith is a belief which inspires to righteousness; and if we are not in this sense 'risen with Christ' it matters nothing that we assent to the testimony that He left the tomb.

In thousands of Christian temples millions of people are gathered to-day repeating the solemn confession of our common creed:—"That He was crucified, dead and buried, and the third day He rose from the dead, and sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty." That is well, but what would it profit any of us unless the public confession means that we who use it, or through we may not do so in those words assent to it, and embody it in our Easter praises are in spiritual sympathy with the heavenly ideal and make sincere efforts to realise it in practical godliness? This summary of my text to "seek the things which are above, where Christ sitteth," is the most reasonable of requirements. It is only what the world expects, and has every right to expect from all who profess and call themselves Christians. Resurrection life in the Church is the final proof of the resurrection story. So long as the life can be found, the creed will be credible. But if the nominally Christian folk cease to be heavenly-minded and Christian-hearted no amount of other testimony could cause the historical fact to be believed or indeed could show that it matters whether it is believed or not.

I have just used a word "heavenly-minded," to which exception is apt to be taken. It seems to suggest to most people the notion of being too impossibly good for this world, or living in a sort of sentimental cloudland from which self-righteous souls look down with complacent censoriousness on the remaining nine-tenths of us who struggle along in our poor faulty way in this workaday world. Still, if you banish that word you will be forced to find another to describe a thing which after all, we see and reverence here and there, among our fellow pilgrims. It is at any rate a scriptural word, and the apostles did not hesitate to offer to the very human and very criticisable Church members to whom they wrote these letters. "Set your mind on the things that are above, not on the things that are on the earth," is added here, and what is that but an echo of the Master's own call, "Set not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven?" The reason is that the heart follows the treasure and the destiny follows the heart. Where your treasure is, your heart is, and there, depend upon it, is where you will be, for there is nowhere else that could hold you. "Where I am, there shall you be also," says our Lord to His disciples. Where then is He? At God's right hand. That then is our Christian destiny, and I do not see how you are to realise it if you start out by saying, practically, that it is much too good for you. That may be a true thing to say, but truth can be said in ways which turn it into miserable error.

So, when you are persuaded to let go of God's promises because they are too bright, when you give up striving after your Christian calling because it is too high, when you shut your eyes to your heavenly destiny on the ground that it is too good for you, why then let Satan be congratulated on a good day's work, and let all scoffers and cynics say "Amen." Set your mind on the things which are above, not on the things that are upon the earth"—if the Apostle had laid down his stylus at this point there might have been some excuse for the notion that he was speaking out of cloudland, and forgetting that merchants and mechanics and house mothers and slaves had to walk with their feet on the ground, and hard ground at that for most of them. But the old Apostle—wise man that he is—adds another good-sized section, so that before the stylus is dropped not the dustiest soul in all Colosse could be in the slightest doubt that getting one's affections on things which are above means tackling one's daily life with a very firm hand as a most practical proposition.

Coming to details the resurrection life means that some things are to be killed and others cultivated. There is, writes Paul, an old nature to be mortified. We know it well, and its works and tendencies. Impurity and covetousness head the list given here, and if anyone imagines that these belonged only to the old decaying pagan world out of which the early Christians were snatched as hands from the burning, let him take stock of current fashion in this year of grace, and let him ask if the race for money and the worship of it are not the be all and end of all thousands to the besmirching of every pure ideal known among men. I need not pursue the black list, the items are printed in plain Saxon out of homely Greek—fury, railing, falsity and the rest. They may be repellent vices in such homely dress, but he who has wholly swept the traces of them from his heart has indeed killed away a stone from the sepulchre which would imprison his better life. These weeds destroyed, there are plants of grace to be cultivated—the heart of compassion, kindness, placability, love, "which is the bond of perfectness."

Read on and you find Christian counsel for life in its daily relations, for husbands, wives, children, parents, servants in the household. None of it too humble and homely to be named in the same breath with "heavenly-mindedness," and all of it included in the comprehensive closing counsel, "whatsoever ye do, in word or in deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus." The resurrection life is feasible because the sphere in which it is to be manifested is precisely that state of life in which it has pleased God to call us. "God's elect, holy and beloved," that is how these humble Christians are addressed here. They did not go about the streets of Colosse with aureoles on their heads. Many of them carried burdens on their backs, and sat under the lash when they had lighted. Others of them kept accounts, minded children, worked at trades, like the great average always and everywhere. The difference lay not in outward appearance but in the inner main-spring and impulse of these people's lives. "Your life is hid," writes their teacher, to them and to us, "hid with Christ in God."

Aspiration, hope and love, by these the resurrection life is lived; aspiration to grow in grace and in likeness to our Lord; hope which maketh not ashamed because it is being progressively fulfilled, love for the ideal to which you aspire incarnate in Him who loved and gave Himself for us. If this be not present salvation, there is no such thing. But there is such a thing and the extent to which you make it your life's aim now will be the extent of your practical faith in any future salvation, or indeed of your real desire for it. Let our aspirations be really quickened toward the things which are above where Christ sitteth at the right hand of God, and our expectation of the world to come will be keen and calm. Where Christ is the Christian's treasure is; the heart goes with the treasure, and the destiny follows the heart.

(Other Local News will be found on page 6.)

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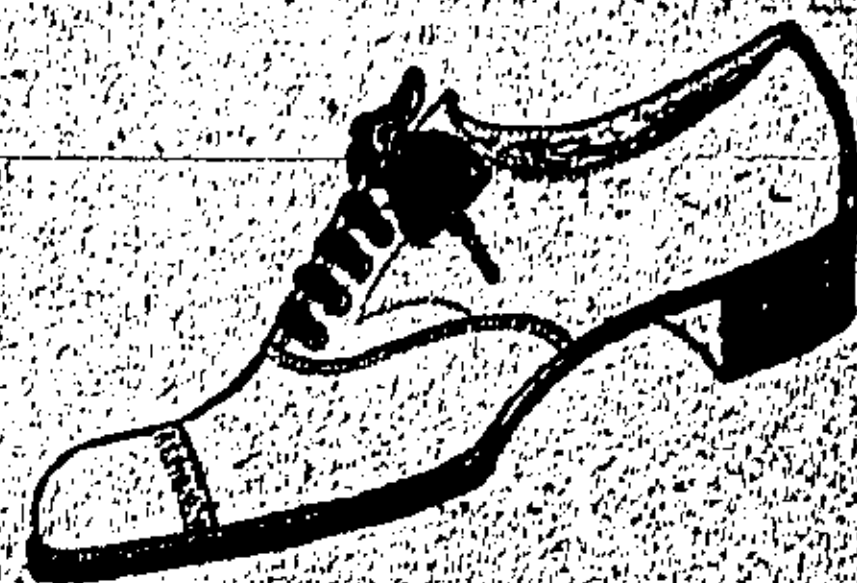
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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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 Followed by Presentation of League Trophy
 TO-DAY
 (EASTER MONDAY), APRIL 5th,
 Club Ground at 4.15 P.M.
 J. RALSTON,
 Hon. Secretary,
 Hongkong Football League.
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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE R. L. S. N. Co's (Apar Line).
 S.S. "GREGORY APCAR"
 Arrived Hongkong, on April 1st, 1920.
 From CALCUTTA, RANGOON AND
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Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignee will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as the goods are landed.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions have been given to the contrary 6 hours before arrival of the steamer.

Goods not cleared within eight days, including date of arrival, will be subject to rent.

No Fire insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees, and the Company's surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas, at 10 a.m., on Mondays and Thursdays.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the Steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godown.

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO., Agents.
 Hongkong, April 2nd, 1920. [683]

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FROM MIDDLESBORO, LONDON
 AND STRAITS.

S.S. "BENVENUE"

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whomever and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 9th inst. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 16th inst., or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 9th inst., at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
 Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
 GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.
 Hongkong, 3rd April, 1920. [683]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "WEST IVAN"

FROM SEATTLE, JAPAN AND SHANGHAI

THE above-mentioned vessel having arrived from the above-mentioned Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whomever and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined by Messrs. Carmichael & Clark on 9th instant, at 10 a.m.

All Claims must be presented within a week of the Steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after 8th instant, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature immediately.

FRANK WATERHOUSE & CO.,
 As Operators, U.S. Shipping Board,
 3rd Floor, Hotel Mansions.
 Hongkong, April 4th, 1920. [684]

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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"CHOPRA"

Arrived Hongkong, on April 2nd, 1920.

FROM BOMBAY AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignee will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as the goods are landed.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions have been given to the contrary 6 hours before arrival of the Steamer.

Goods not cleared within eight days, including date of arrival, will be subject to rent.

No Fire insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees, and the Company's surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas, at 10 a.m., on Mondays and Thursdays.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the Steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godown.

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO., Agents.
 Hongkong, April 2nd, 1920. [680]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co's Steamer

"DILWARA"

Arrived Hongkong on April 3rd, 1920.

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO
 & STRAITS.

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 Hongkong, April 4th, 1920. [681]

NOTICE

MR. ARCHIBALD ORE LANG has This

Day been admitted a Partner in Our

Firm in Hongkong and China.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
 Hongkong, April 1st, 1920. [682]

NOTICE

THE Undersigned requests that on and

after April 1st, 1920, all communications

for Messrs. S. C. ISMAIL & CO., be

addressed to him care of Messrs. ARBUTHNOTTS.

S. R. ISMAIL,
 The executor of the Will of S. C. Ismail II.
 Hongkong, March 30th, 1920. [683]

NOTICE

WE HAVE This Day REMOVED our

Offices from 16, Connaught Road to

17, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Second Floor.

BRITTO & CO., LTD.
 Hongkong, April 1st, 1920. [684]

NOTICE

I HAVE This Day REMOVED my Office

to No. 17, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, 1st

Floor.

J. H. GARDINER,
 Solicitor.
 Hongkong, March 31st, 1920. [685]

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MONDAY, APRIL 5th.

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DINNER DANCE FROM 8 P.M.

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FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

EASTER HOLIDAY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all FIRE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transference of PUBLIC BUSINESS TO-DAY (MONDAY), APRIL 5th, 1920.

By Order,
 LOWE, BINGHAM & MATTHEWS,
 Secretaries.
 Hongkong, March 31st, 1920. [673]

MARINE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

EASTER HOLIDAY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all MARINE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transference of PUBLIC BUSINESS TO-DAY (MONDAY), APRIL 5th, 1920.

By Order,
 LOWE, BINGHAM & MATTHEWS,
 Secretaries.
 Hongkong, March 31st, 1920. [674]

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

CHINESE LANGUAGE SCHOOL.

A NEW CLASS for "BEGINNERS" will commence on MONDAY, APRIL 5th, 1920, if sufficient support be forthcoming.

Application for enrolment and enquiries regarding hours of School, Fees, etc., should be made to the undersigned as early as possible.

By Order,
 E. A. M. WILLIAMS,
 Secretary.
 Hongkong, March 15th, 1920. [675]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND OF 8 per cent.

(84.00 per Share) has been declared and will be payable on the 15th of APRIL, 1920.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st of April to the 14th of April, both days inclusive, during which time no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

DOUGLAS LIPPAK & CO.,
 General Managers,
 DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.
 Hongkong, March 30th, 1920. [676]

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that

the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Hotel, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7th, 1920, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1919.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, APRIL 1st, to WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7th, 1920, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors
 J. H. TAGGART
 Manager and Secretary.
 Hongkong, March 26th, 1920. [677]

HONGKONG SCHOOL OF MOTORING.

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BIRTHS.

BASSETT.—At Shanghai, on March 27th, to

Mr. and Mrs. L. BASSETT, a daughter.

FIELD.—At Shanghai, on March 27th, to

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. FIELD, a son.

NEWBERRY.—At Shanghai, on March 27th,

to Mr. and Mrs. T. R. NEWBERRY, a

daughter.

OZORIO.—At Shanghai, on March 28th, to

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. OZORIO, a

daughter.

ROBERTSON.—At Shanghai, on March 28th,

to Mr. and Mrs. J. ROBERTSON, a son.

MARRIAGES.

BARKER—BERTHE.—At Shanghai, on

March 27th, ANNA VIOLA, daughter of

J. A. BERTHE of Shanghai, to GUY

STRAHAN, son of Harold Barker, of

West Kensington, London.

HARTLEY—WALLACE.—At St. George's,

Manor Square, London, on February

19th, A. CLIFFORD HARTLEY,

B.Sc. C.E., younger son of Dr. J.

Hartley, Hull, to DOROTHY ELIZABETH,

only daughter of GAVIN WALLACE,

C.M.S.N. Co., Shanghai.

DEATHS.

EVANS.—At Shanghai, on March 28th,

Koromo, the beloved wife of John

EVANS (P. & O. S. N. Co.), aged 30

years.

JONES.—At St. Paul's Hospital, on April

2nd, FRANCISCO JOSE VINCENZO JONES,

aged 73 years. (Shanghai and Japan

papers please copy). [678]

MULLER.—At Shanghai, on March 27th,

Sofie, the wife of H. Chr. Muller.

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CHINESE PROPAGANDA

We have already referred to the propa-

ganda work done by the "China

National Defence League in Europe."

This organization appears to have come

into existence for the purposes of the

Peace Conference, and has published a

series of pamphlets on China and the

League of Nations, the Relations between

China and Japan during the past twenty-

five years, Law Reform in China, the

Tariff Problem in China, the China-

Japanese Treaty of 1915, and China's

Position in International Finance. We

have already dealt with the first pamphlet

in the series in the second the writer,

who is anonymous, gives a very clear

account of the development of the present

attitude of China and Japan towards each

other. He shows that, after the Sino-

Japanese War of 1904 the victors mani-

fested no aggressive spirit, while the senti-

ments of the Chinese people towards Japan

was not hostile nor unfavourable. He

demonstrates that even through 1900

Japanese influence was placed on the side

of moderation and pacification, and that

SINN FEIN CHALLENGE:**MR. LLOYD GEORGE TAKES IT UP.****GOVERNMENT WILL NOT YIELD TO TERRORISM.****CRITICAL OUTLOOK IN DENMARK:****VIOLENT OUTBURST AGAINST KING:****GENERAL STRIKE AND DEMAND FOR REPUBLIC.****UNITED STATES' SOLUTION OF TURKISH PROBLEM:****SUPREME COUNCIL GIVES LEAGUE OF NATIONS MANDATE FOR ARMENIA.****LATEST CABLES.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]****OR-SIS IN DENMARK.****DEMAND FOR A REPUBLIC.****COPENHAGEN, March 31st.**

With the Trade Union Congress' declaration of a general strike, which will begin on April 6th, Denmark is confronted with an unusual situation in a popular strike against the king for the sole reason of the king's alleged unconstitutional action in dismissing the Zahle Ministry. The Socialists repudiate Lieber's non-Party Ministry which has announced its intention of holding an immediate election, and demand a Republic.

The curious fact is that the Syndicalists oppose a strike on the ground of their hatred of "all political frauds," while the Conservatives support the King for his "patriotic action" in dismissing the Ministry which acquiesced in the pro-German result of the plebiscite in South Slesvig. The crisis is thus not merely local but may affect the general peace settlement.

A TEMPORARY CABINET.**COPENHAGEN, March 30th.**

Otto Lieber has formed a new Cabinet. It is understood that the Ministry is of a non-political (1 non-party) character and will undertake the task of issuing election writs, carrying on until then.

GENERAL STRIKE.**COPENHAGEN, March 31st.**

The Trade Union Congress has declared a general strike in Denmark.

IMMEDIATE CAUSE OF CRISIS.

The political crisis is due to the attitude of the Cabinet in accepting the pro-German result of the plebiscite in the Second Slesvig Zone, while the Opposition favours internationalisation of Slesvig and the Second Zone provisionally.

The Opposition maintains that the Ministry has no mandate on the Slesvig question.

According to the papers a deputation of Slesvigers petitioned the International Commission pleading that they should not be surrendered to Prussian persecution.

SOCIALIST DEMANDS.**COPENHAGEN, March 29th.**

The Executive Committee of the Social-Democratic Party and the Trades Unions have agreed to demand the reinstatement of the Zahle Ministry, and the immediate summoning of Parliament.

If the demand is not granted to-morrow a congress of the Trades Unions will be held to consider a general strike. A deputation visited the King who promised to reply this morning.

EGYPT'S WEALTH.**BUT LACK OF HOUSING ACCOMMODATION.****CAIRO, April 1st.**

The Egyptian Budget for 1920-1921 shows receipts £E.33,500,000 and expenditure £E.31,500,000. The surplus, including extraordinary receipts, is £E.5,000,000. The principal features are the enormous increase in the country's wealth and the greatly increased cost of certain commodities and housing accommodation.

SURPLUS NAVAL OFFICERS.**ADMIRALTY OFFERING MONEY TO RETIRE.****LONDON, April 1st.**

Owing to a considerable surplus of naval officers the Admiralty is offering special terms to officers retiring voluntarily within the next six months, including gratuities ranging from £2,500 to £5,000 to Sub-Lieutenants with additions calculated on seniority.

FURIOUS FRENCH STRIKERS**SPREADING TERROR IN ROUBAIX.****PARIS, March 31st.**

The textile strikers in the Roubaix district attacked and derailed trains and overturned taxis. Many occupants were injured. The strikers forced the municipal and metallurgical workers, builders and bankers to join their movement.

SIGNOR NITTI.**VOTE OF CONFIDENCE.****ROME, March 31st.**

The Chamber has passed a vote of confidence in Signor Nitti by 250 votes to 195.

TOLL OF THE TORNADO.**THOUSANDS HOMELESS.****CHICAGO, March 30th.**

Latest messages from the Middle West show that 77 were killed and thousands made homeless by the tornado.

The death-roll in Chicago is 28, and 24 have been killed in Ohio. It is expected that the death-roll will show an increase when telegraphic communications are resumed and details are available from Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin and Missouri.

CHICAGO SUBURBS UNDER**MARTIAL LAW.****LATER.**

Detachments of infantry assisted the residents in removing the wreckage in the suburbs which were practically under martial-law. Soldiers guarding an unroofed Bank were ordered to kill if looting were attempted.

Twenty-seven dead are reported from Indiana and from Michigan.

LATER.

The latest reports show that 93 persons have been killed in the tornado, of which Ohio had a death-roll of 23, Indiana of 27 and Michigan of 9.

160 KILLED.**LATER.**

It is now estimated that 160 have been killed and many hundreds have been injured, and \$9,000,000 is the amount of damage sustained.

PRESIDENT WILSON.**AT MASSACHUSETTS SUMMER RESORT.****WASHINGTON, March 30th.**

President Wilson spends summer at Woodhole, Massachusetts.

MR. HOOVER.**ACCEPTANCE OF NOMINATION FOR PRESIDENCY.****SAN FRANCISCO, March 31st.**

Mr. Hoover has declared that he would accept nomination as candidate for the Presidency if necessary. He favoured the United States' entry into the League of Nations with the reservation of safeguarding American traditions and interests.

SEAMEN'S WAGES.**LAW IN AMERICA.****WASHINGTON, March 30th.**

The Supreme Court has dismissed the appeals of the owners of two British steamers, holding up the constitutionality of the law requiring payment of wages to seamen upon demand and holding the seamen of these vessels to be entitled to the wages due to them when they arrived at an American port.

UNITED STATES TRADE.**BALANCE AGAINST EUROPE.****WASHINGTON, March 30th.**

The Department of Commerce has issued figures showing that the trade balance against Europe increased to \$250,000,000 in February.

On the other hand, the imports from South America, Asia and Africa exceeded the exports to those countries by \$27,000,000, \$40,000,000 and \$18,000,000 respectively.

NEW OIL BUNKERING CO.**LORD INCHCAPE AS PRESIDENT.****LONDON, March 30th.**

The Times says that an oil bunkering company with Lord Inchcape as president, is being formed, with a capital of over £1,000,000.

The Board of Directors includes two directors of the Anglo-Persian Company and a representative of Cory's Company. It has already assured supplies of oil in the East, but will, probably, extend its activities in other directions.

BRITISH REVENUE.**DEFICIT FOR THE YEAR.****LONDON, April 1st.**

The total expenditure chargeable against revenue is £7,993,750,000, a decrease of £213,500,000 as compared with the preceding year.

The deficit for the year is £236,000,000.

TERRORISM IN IRELAND.**MR. LLOYD GEORGE TAKES UP****SINN FEIN CHALLENGE.****LONDON, April 2nd.**

The Prime Minister, in a letter to the Lord Mayor of Dublin, sympathising with him in the dilemma in which he is placed and pointing out that Ireland to-day is menaced with a formidable organisation seeking to terrorise public officials and the Irish people by murders and assassination—declares that the campaign has attained proportions that it is impossible to view evidence in the ordinary way which may lead to arrests or convictions. Therefore, the executive, which is responsible for the maintenance of government and protection of life, liberty and property of individual citizens, is placed in great difficulties, as certainly no Irishmen should be arrested who are guiltyless, on the other hand their first imperative duty is to leave no stone unturned to enable them to lay hands upon those who are terrorising society. They may, at times, have no option, if they are to grapple with the problem of organised murder, but to dislocate, in some degree, the normal life of the community.

May I add, says Mr. Lloyd George, that I believe that the present campaign is largely prompted by the desire to make impossible a settlement of the Irish question by reason and goodwill. The Home Rule Bill, now before Parliament, proposes to establish self-government throughout Ireland on more generous lines than the Act of 1914. It provides the means whereby Ireland can attain unity by the free act of its own citizens, without further reference to the Imperial Parliament. I do not believe it possible for Ireland to obtain unity and peace, except by the methods of reason and conciliation. The policy of Sinn Fein is exactly the opposite; it depends upon violence in opinion and violence in action. It is a policy which can never lead to the union of Ireland; it certainly can never achieve the avowed object of an Irish Republic. It can only condemn Ireland to a long continuance of the terrorism and distress dominating it to-day, for the Government will not be deflected from what it believes to be the only course consistent with reason and common sense by the most ruthless and cruel campaign of assassination and crime Ireland has ever seen.

"The Government, however," the Prime Minister continues, "is anxious to make as easy as possible the task of those endeavouring to carry on the administration of the country on reasonable lines, and if there are any means whereby moderate men can be helped, and encouraged to withstand and oppose the present campaign of intimidation, and so bring nearer settlement of the Irish question, I shall gladly co-operate in bringing them into effect."

HOME RULE BILL PROSPECTS.**LONDON, April 1st.**

The Home Rule Bill passed its second reading unexpectedly by a large majority after the debate in which Sir Edward Carson and Mr. Lloyd George's speeches were an outstanding feature. The discussion showed that the reviving Conditionalist was fewer than anticipated, the minority consisting of 41 Labourists, 22 Coalition Unionists, 21 Independent Liberals, and 7 Nationalists. It comprised the political elements that combined in promoting the three previous Home Rule Bills, together with a handful of irreconcilable Unionists headed by Lord Robert Cecil.

Another novel feature was that not a single member for an Irish constituency voted for the Bill, but this was balanced by the fact that only three voted against the Bill. Indeed, the second reading was passed in a House in which Ireland was largely unrepresented. Four Ministers, mainly Ulster Irishmen, abstained from voting for the Government's principal measure.

The Home Rule Bill has scarcely an enthusiastic Press. It is regarded as an ingenious compromise that eluded the critics, but the consensus of opinion is that it is the only feasible scheme in carrying out Great Britain's pledge to Ireland. The tone of the debate showed that it will enter the Committee stage with an earnest desire on the part of the members of the House of Commons to make it a practicable measure. The chief struggle in Committee will be to alter the area of the Northern Ireland frontiers to nine counties. The conciliatory tone of Sir Edward Carson's peroration, especially his readiness to meet the West and South of Ulster, is regarded as a good augury for the possibility of achieving union and peace through statesmanship and goodwill. The fact that Ulster assented to the Bill, though grudgingly, is of cardinal importance, while the South of Ireland has been given an opportunity of becoming a civilised community.

ATTACK ON POLICE**BARRACKS.****HUNDRED ARMED MEN.****LONDON, March 31st.**

A hundred armed men at midnight attacked the Durrus police barracks at Skibbereen with rifles and petrol bombs, blowing up portions of the building, but were driven off after three hours' fight. Two constables were wounded.

MIDNIGHT RAID ON SINN**FEINERS.****SEVENTY ARRESTED AND LODGED****IN PRISON.****LONDON, March 30th.**

A midnight sweep of Sinn Feiners within a radius of forty miles from Londonderry has resulted in the Londonderry prison being crowded.

There are in the prison seventy Sinn Feiners, who are most demonstrative and are singing Republican songs from the windows, which has necessitated the quartering of troops with machine-guns and armoured cars in the prison yard. Those arrested included Mr. Joseph Sweeney, M.P.

OUTLOOK IN GERMANY.**IS COMMUNISM SPREADING?****LONDON, March 30th.**

Though despatches from Berlin continue to assert that the Communists in the Ruhr district are weakening owing to food shortage and lack of funds to pay the workers or the Red troops, it is admitted in Berlin to-day that the Socialists at Elberfeld, besides rejecting the Government's ultimatum, have threatened a general strike in conjunction with the Communists in the whole Ruhr region, if Government troops advance. They have, also, refused to disarm the population or release the prisoners.

Anarchy prevails in Duisburg, whose Burgomaster and Town Treasurer have been imprisoned by the Communists who have occupied the Town Hall and seized a million marks in the State Bank.

The municipal officials at Duisburg have stuck at a protest against imprisonment.

REASON FOR REFUSING ALLIES'**CONDITIONS.****BERLIN, March 30th.**

In the National Assembly, referring to the conditions imposed by the Allies on the German Government for allowing the latter to send troops into the Ruhr region, namely, the despatch of an equal number of Allied troops to the disturbed area and the occupation by the Allies of Frankfurt, Hamburg and Darmstadt, Herr Mueller said that the Government rejected the Allied demand because they had no idea of exposing the neutral zone to the terrors of an occupation.

"The Anarchists from the Left must be treated similarly to the Anarchists from the Right. Preparations for this have already been made. The only good consequence of the revolt is that foreigners have been convinced that the days of Nationalists and Militarists are over. We are not frightened of Bolshevism."

ARRESTS AND DISMISSALS.**BERLIN, March 30th.**

The Government is initiating proceedings against the Kappists. The ex-Under Secretary of State, Herr Falkenhäuser has been arrested, also General Levetzow. A number of high officers have been dismissed, including General von Lettow Vorbeck.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S OPINION.**PARIS, March 30th.**

At the Conference of Ambassadors, Mr. Wallace, the American Ambassador, confirmed the statement that President Wilson did not oppose the entry of more regular troops in the Ruhr region if the German Government desired to despatch them.

RED PROCLAMATION AT PLAUEN.**BERLIN, March 31st.**

The Lokalanzeiger correspondent at Plauen says that the Red executive has issued a proclamation that if a general strike is insufficient to prevent the entry of troops, the machinery, factories and houses of the propertied classes and the public buildings are to be destroyed in return.

FRANCE OPPOSES ENTRY OF**GERMAN TROOPS.****PARIS, March 31st.**

M. Millerand has sent a letter to the German Charge d'Affaires to-day pointing out that the penetration of German troops in the Ruhr Basin is only justifiable by imperative necessity, but they must be under the control of the Commission. He is emphatically of opinion that military intervention in this district at present is useless and dangerous, and, therefore, it is impossible to grant the request of the German Government.

REDS FIGHT GOVERNMENT**TROOPS.****BERLIN, March 31st.**

Fighting took place last night between the Reds and the Government troops near Dinslaken. The former were continually reinforced by fresh contingents.

HERE CUNO'S REFUSAL.**BERLIN, March 28th.**

As a result of the refusal of Herr Cuno to join the new Ministry, Herr Bauer becomes Minister of Treasury and Herr Bell Minister of Transport.

LATVIA AND SOVIET RUSSIA**PEACE NEGOTIATIONS BEGIN.****LONDON, March 30th.**

Peace negotiations between the Latvian Government and Soviet Russia begin at Moscow on April 5th.

TO COLONEL MALONE IN**TROUBLE.****LONDON, March 31st.**

The name of Lieut.-Col. C. L. Malone, M.P., has been removed from the Navy Officers' list.

FOR UNSANCTIONED VISIT TO**RUSSIA.****LONDON, March 31st.**

The name of Lieut.-Col. C. L. Malone, M.P., has been removed from the Navy Officers' list.

THE TURKISH SETTLEMENT.**ATTITUDE OF UNITED STATES.****WASHINGTON, March 31st.**

The American reply to the Allied Note as regards the status of the United States in the Turkish Treaty negotiations expresses the opinion that "the oft-expressed intention of the Allies that the anomaly of the Turks in Europe should cease" should be carried out in framing the Turkish Treaty and says that it does not seem advisable to the United States at present to be represented at the conferences, but as the United States is vitally interested in the future peace of the world it should frankly express its views on the proposed solutions of the difficult questions connected with the Turkish Treaty. It expresses gratification that Russia is represented at the proposed council for the government of Constantinople and the Straits, expressing the view that no arrangement can be permanent unless Russia's vital interests are protected.

The American reply further states that part of East Thrace, outside the Constantinople zone, should be given to Greece; but Adrianople, Kirkkiliseh and the surrounding territory should be given to Bulgaria.

The boundaries of Armenia should be drawn so as to recognise all legitimate claims of the Armenians, particularly easy access to the sea, and suggests that Trebizond be given to Armenia, and that Turkey should place Mesopotamia, Arabia, Palestine, Syria and the islands into the hands of the Great Powers for disposal.

ARABS ATTACK ANTIOCH.**HOIST FLAG AND LEAVE.****LONDON, March 31st.**

The Times' Cairo correspondent has reported that an Arab band has captured Antioch after a sanguinary fight in which the French had fifty killed. The band quit Antioch after hoisting the Arab flag.

MANDATE FOR ARMENIA.**TO THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS.****LONDON, March 31st.**

The Supreme Council has offered the mandate for Armenia, comprising the Republic of Erivan and the adjoining Turkish and Armenian territory with an outlet to the Black Sea, to the League of Nations.

FRANCE AND BOLSHEVISM.**NEW GOVERNMENT MEASURE.****PARIS, March 30th.**

The Senate passed a vote of confidence in the Government's domestic policy after M. Millerand, replying to the request of information as to the Government's attitude towards Bolshevism, had declared the law and would prosecute those guilty of inciting soldiers to disobedience, but that the Government's hands must be strengthened. Therefore, he would introduce a Bill for the nationalisation of the Police, the reorganisation of the gendarmerie and the control of the movements of foreigners in France. A number of foreign propagandists have already been deported.

BOLSHEVIST CLAIM.**LONDON, March 31st.**

The Bolsheviks report the capture of 10,000 prisoners and large quantity of stores at Novorossiysk, also 15,000 others who were retreating from the town.

DENIKIN'S RETREAT.**CONSTANTINOPLE, March 29th.****DENIKIN HAS GONE TO BERGOSK.****POLES COUNTER-ATTACK.****LONDON, March 31st.**

The Polish Legation announces that the Bolshevik offensive on the southern front against the Poles has weakened and the Poles are counter-attacking, rendering Bolshevik concentrations impossible.

The Bolshevik losses are very heavy while the Polish losses are slight. The Poles have captured many guns, prisoners and material.

THE PRINCE OF WALES.**ARRIVAL AT PANAMA.****PANAMA, March 31st.**

The Prince of Wales arrived here to-day and was received with every ceremonial. Three American aeroplanes hovered overhead as the *Renown* and the *Valcutta* entered the canal at dawn. Salutes were fired by the guards of drawn up ships which looked gay in hunting.

The British Minister at Panama went on board the *Renown* at Colon. The President of Panama and other distinguished persons went on board at Gatun Locks.

The Prince landed at Gatun Lake, inspected the American guard-of-honour, and visited the wonderful automatic control house, after which the warships cautiously crossed the Culobra Cut where a big landslide had just been cleared.

THE EX-KAISER.**ENTENTE'S FINAL NOTE.****THE HAGUE, March 31st.**

It is understood that the Government has received a fresh communication from the Entente, which does the question of the surrender of the ex-Kaiser.

PARLIAMENT ADJOURNED.**LONDON, March 31st.**

The House of Commons has adjourned till April 12th, and the House of Lords till April 20th.

FAR EASTERN CABLE**NEWS.****[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]****THE RECENT RIOT AT KIUKIANG.****CHINA PROTESTS AGAINST LANDING****OF AMERICAN MARINES.****PEKING, April 2nd.**

The Chinese Government has protested against the landing of American marines from the gunboats *Samar* and *Elcano* at Kiukiang on March 15th at the request of the British Authorities.

[Reuter's correspondent at Peking recently furnished the following authoritative statement of the facts of the riot:—

A constable in the British Consession at Kiukiang while regulating the passage of coolies who were carrying rice to a godown pushed a coolie into his place. The coolie fell down and refused to get up, though apparently uninjured. A crowd collected and beat and kicked the constable, as well as two other constables who went to his assistance. The crowd also seized a British inspector of police and another constable who had arrived on the scene and hustled them of accommodation to the Chinese Court where they were locked up for an hour before their release. Pending the arrival of Chinese troops to restore order, sailors were landed from an American gunboat and cleared the rioters from the Consession, two coolies receiving slight injuries during the operation. Four constables and three coolies had to be taken to hospital, but all are doing well.]

AN AMERICAN PROTEST AGAINST**MONOPOLIES.****CHINA'S REPLY.****PEKING, April 2nd.**

The American Legation, having protested against the Vickers aeroplane and the Marconi wireless contracts with the Chinese Government, because they are monopolistic, the Chinese Government has replied that the Vickers contract is in no wise restrictive of the freedom of trade, and that the contract does not run counter to the American and French treaties. Regarding the Marconi contract, there is no intention to prohibit other nationalities from competing for business. The company is entirely unmonopolistic.

To this the American Government replied that it was glad to understand that there are no monopolies and that American companies will be given opportunities to supply aeroplanes and their parts, etc., likewise wireless telegraphs and telephones.

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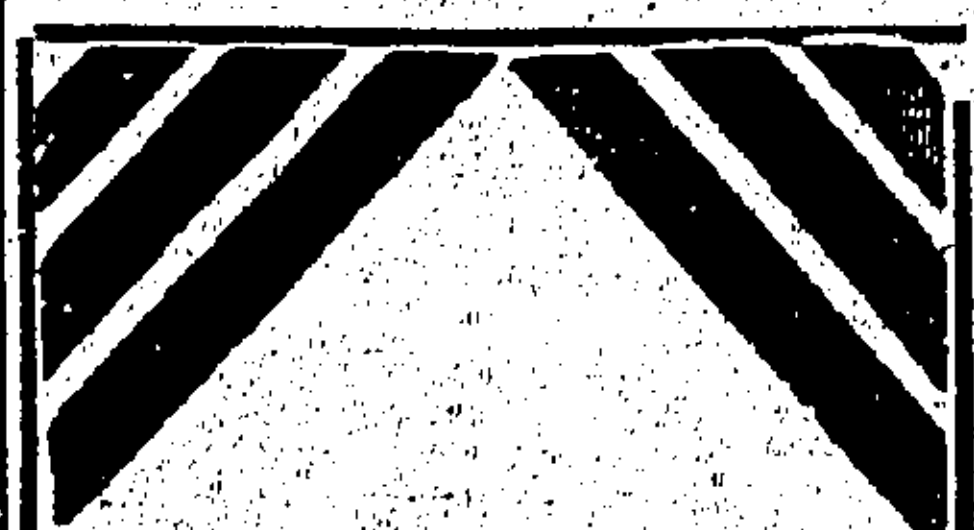
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Colony, in response to applications for an
increase of 40 per cent. in their wages, the
Chinese engineering staffs of the Euro-
pean yards and some of the Chinese ship
repairing yards were out on strike on
Saturday. As we have already stated,
the demand for increased wages by
Chinese engineers is not confined to par-
ticular establishments, but extends to every
undertaking on which Chinese engineers
are employed. The movement, we under-
stand, is directed by the Chinese Engi-
neers' Guild. The strike, however, is not
yet a general one. Some of the concerns
have been given a week's notice of the
intention of their men to strike.

We understand that the concession made
by the Taikee and the Hongkong and
Whampoa Dockyards represents an
increase of about 15 per cent., which the
men consider insufficient. The Guild is
reported to have a strike fund of about
\$33,000; but that, of course, would not go
far to support a strike on the scale which,
rumour says, is contemplated.

It may be that a combination of festivals
is largely responsible for the suddenness
of the "strikes" that have already occur-
red. Not only does the Ching Ming
festival this year synchronise with Easter,
but the Hungchow folk are also celebrating
the festival of the local "joss." It is,
therefore, probable that this combination
of holidays had a not unimportant in-
fluence on Saturday's rather unexpected
development in the situation. We trust
that the disposition to "strike" will pass
with the festival.

ENDOWMENTS FOR

HONGKONG CHURCHES.

MUNIFICENT OFFERS.

Though no official announcement has yet
been made on the subject, it is widely
known that a very old resident of the
Colony has offered a gift of \$25,000 to
form an endowment fund for St. John's
Cathedral and a similar sum to endow
St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon.

SHANGHAI COTTON MANUFACTUR- ING CO.

Following upon the announcement at
Shanghai that a strong local syndicate
had been formed with the object of secur-
ing the business of the Shanghai Cotton
Manufacturing Co., Ltd., interest is
general in the ultimate fate of the com-
pany, for competition promises to be of
the keenest description, says the N.C.
Daily News.

Naturally the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha
will, in the event of the company being
wound up as is proposed in the resolution
to be presented to the forthcoming meet-
ing, make every effort to retain it. This
was, of course, only to be anticipated, but
our Shanghai contemporary believes that
another Japanese syndicate is also taking
active steps with a view to purchasing the
concern. This last is said to be a power-
ful combination.

In the event of the resolution for the
winding up of the company being carried
by the shareholders, that is, that not
only will it be advertised for sale in China
but likewise in Japan. There, it is be-
lieved, a number of the larger cotton con-
cerns are likely to be very much interested
in the matter.

"AUCTION OF SOULS."

Through the ban imposed upon it in its
original form by the Home Secretary, the
"Auction of Souls" film has secured
what a representative of *The Daily Tele-
graph* was informed, on the occasion of
the first performance, was an undesired
advertisement. Colonel Chapman-Huston,
overseas secretary of the League of
Nations Union, stated that the union,
which is responsible for the showing of
the film, would not associate itself with
anything objectionable or even question-
able, and to meet the points raised by the
Home Secretary about 60% of the film
have been cut out. This deletion some of
the close viewers of the crucified Armenian
style, and serves to suggest rather than
represent the flogging of a naked girl for
refusing to forewear her religion. The
making of the film occupied two years,
and 5,000 people took part in it. To the
audience who saw it publicly for the first
time in the Albert Hall it was described
as a "heart-stirring, spectacular produc-
tion based on the famous book, 'Barrabas-
Armenia,' and on the report of Viscount
Bryce's Commission." The leading char-
acter is Aurora Mardiganian, played by
that young lady herself, who it is claim-
ed, is the sole survivor of 500,000 Armeni-
ans. Her adventures are shared by Miss
Graham, a young English mission teacher,
who tried to save the Mardiganian family,
and, unable to do so, cast in her fortunes
with them. The story, which requires
almost two hours to unfold, consists of
episode upon episode of callous brutality
which has as its crowning feature, per-
haps, the views of the long row of crucified
girls whom their persecutors had debared
even from the fate of being sold for use
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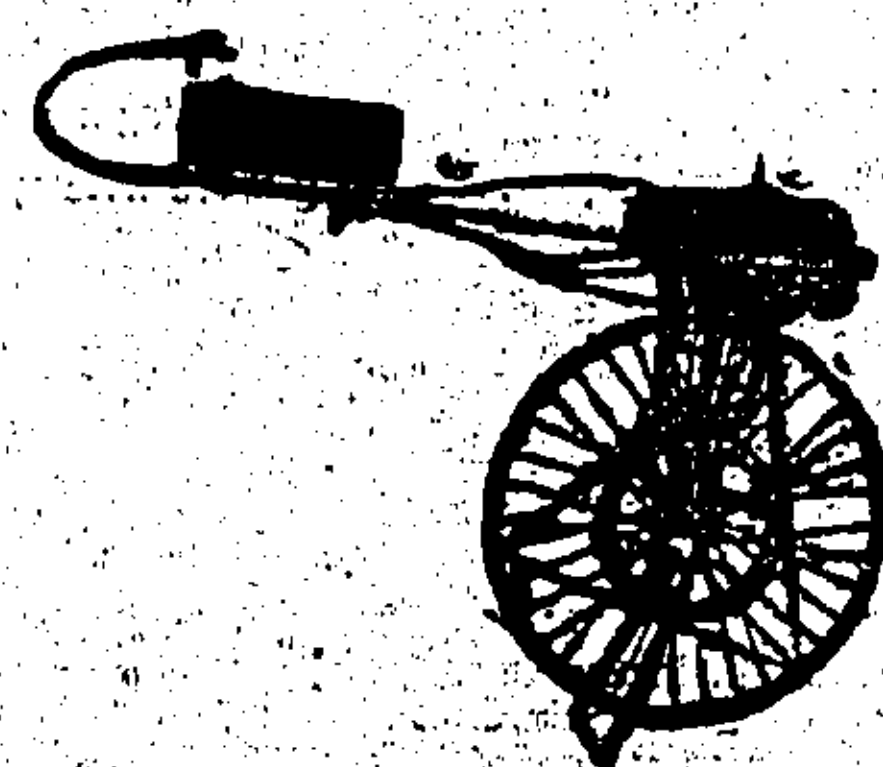
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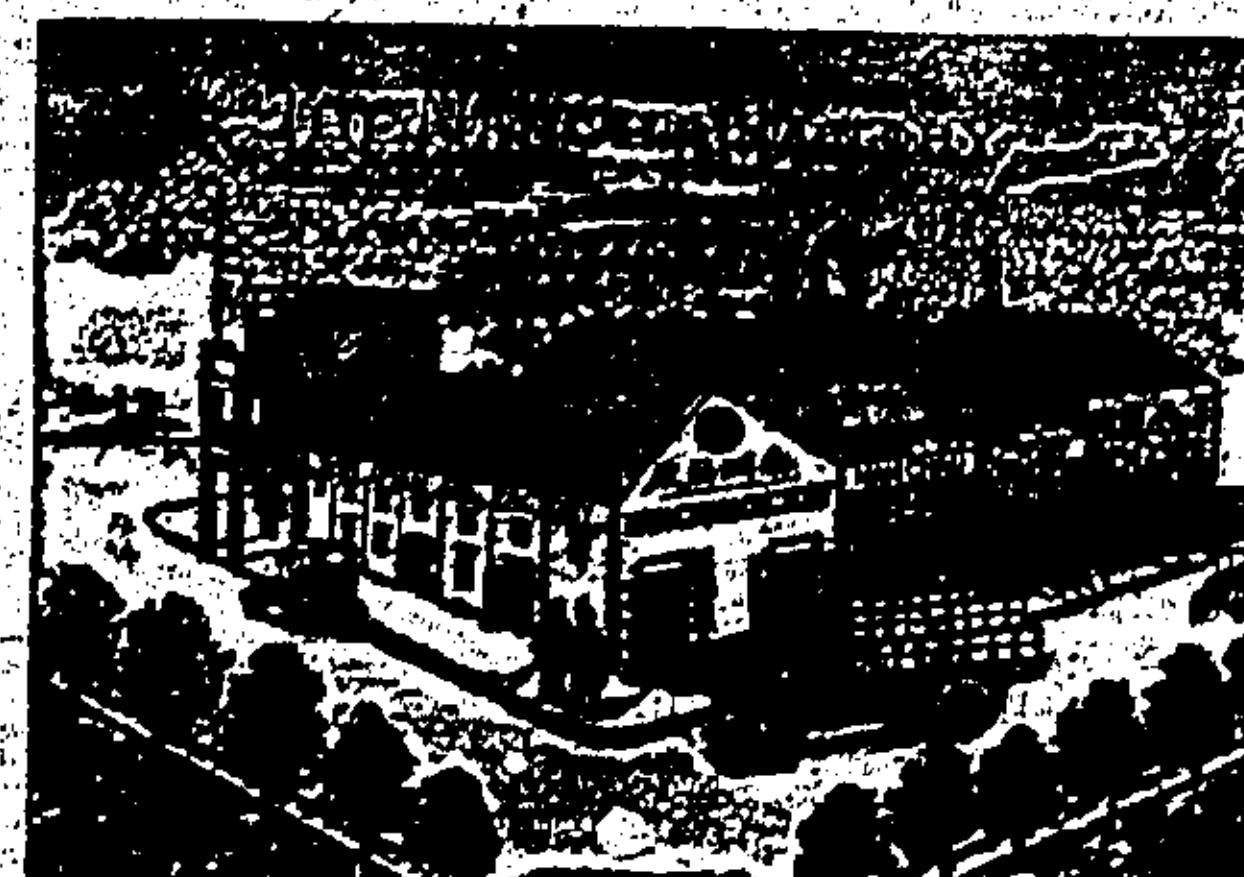
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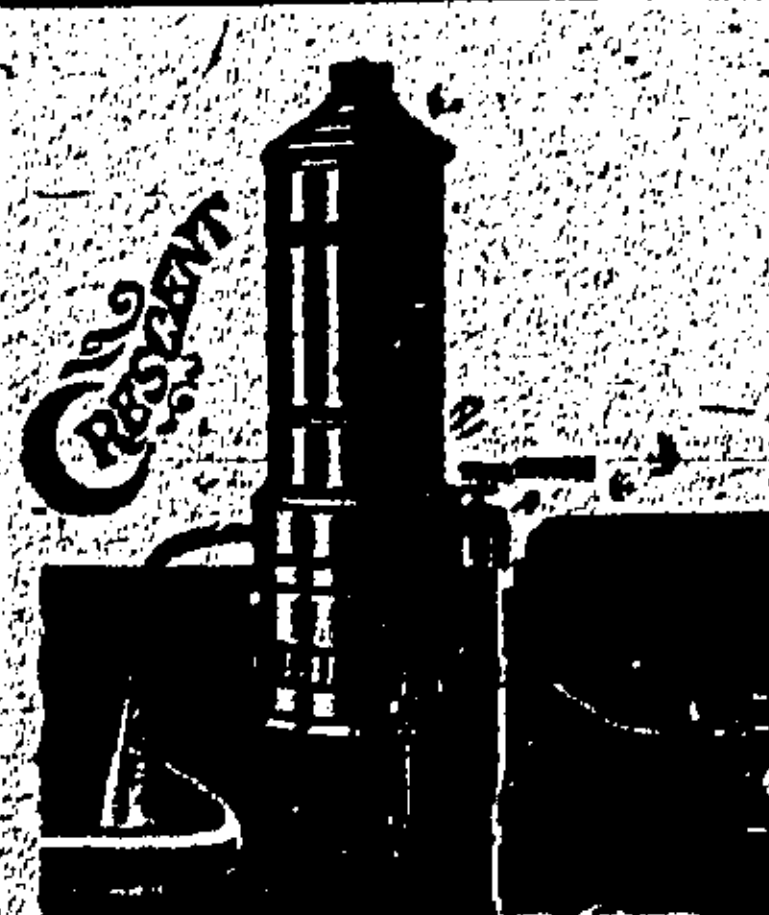
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How a Chinese girl attempted to escape from hazardous alternatives by taking her own life was related at the Magistracy on Saturday, when she was charged with attempting to commit suicide by opium poisoning.

She told the Magistrate that it was due to a lover who wanted her to join a secret society. She refused, on various grounds, but whenever the man visited her he always broached the subject. A few days ago he told her that unless she joined the society he would stab her to death. She reported the matter to the Police, but nothing was done to prevent the man visiting her. She thought it preferable to die by her own hands than at the hands of another.

Mr. Smith referred the case to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs for investigation.

WEAKNESS FOR GETTING
DRUNK.FAMILIAR FIGURE IN COURT
AGAIN.

A familiar figure at the Magistracy is Everett Ellepsen, a Norwegian, an ex-ship's officer, who confessed to a weakness for liquor. About ten days ago he was fined \$10 and not being able to pay the fine was given a rest for seven days in prison. The day after his release he was found drunk in a ricksha and was taken to the No. 2 Police Station, where he spent a night in the cell. When charged on Saturday with the offence, Ellepsen, again made a plea for another chance. He said he had good British papers but could not get a job locally as his name was spoiled. If he was given another chance, he would work his way to Shanghai and never turn back. He was informed that he had been given too many chances. He had never kept his promise of becoming a sober man.

Ellepsen: It was not my fault this time. I took liquor because of weakness. I was in prison for seven days and did not eat much.

Mr. Smith: \$10 or seven days.

STRANGE TALE OF AN ATTEMPTED
SUICIDE.

One of the most interesting, yet uncanny, stories, heard within the Magistracy was related by a Chinese on Saturday, when charged with attempting to commit suicide by jumping into the harbour. The would-be suicide said that while he was taking a walk along the Praya, enjoying the cool breeze, he heard a voice exclaim in his ear: "Why are you not dead yet? You will be cut to pieces by a strange man unless you end your life." He looked round and saw that no one was near him. He was under the impression that his evil spirit was "crying" him on. He imagined it was the voice of a being from another world warning him against the gruesome fate awaiting him and, being depressed, he followed the commands of the unseen being, as that was preferable to being cut into a thousand pieces.

The younger brother of the defunct man undertook to look after him and the Magistrate bound him over in \$50 to be of good behaviour for six months.

PERSIAN RAILWAY SCHEMES

CONCESSION TO BRITISH
SYNDICATE.

The Times' Special Correspondent in the Middle East writes:—

The Persian Government has granted an option to a powerful British syndicate for the survey of a railway from the present railroad of the Mesopotamian lines at Kureti, near Kas-i-Shirin, via Kermanshah, Hamadan, and Kasvin to Teheran, with a branch line from Kasvin to Enzeli on the Caspian.

On completion of the survey the Persian Government will have the right either to build the railway itself by a system of loans from the syndicate, or to give the syndicate the concession for construction. The syndicate represents the Anglo-Persian Oil Company, Armstrong-Whitworth, Vickers and Westman Pearson.

The survey will be begun immediately. The line, presumably, will be of metre gauge in continuation of the existing metre gauge railway from Baghdad to the Persian frontier. The track will probably closely follow the road built by the Royal Engineers to Hamadan, the alignment of which was made by the Russians at an earlier period of the war. From Hamadan the line will follow the existing road to Kasvin, Teheran and Kermanshah. There are three steep passes for the line to be carried over: Palatak, Asandabad, and Aveh.

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No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 30th, 1920. [638]

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 6th Mar. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 15th Apr. or they will not be recognized.
All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 6th Apr. at 10 a.m. by Godard & Douglas.

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TIENHSIN	"CHEONGSHING"	Wed.	7th Apr.	11 a.m.
HAIPHONG via HOIHOW	"KUMSANG"	Wed.	7th Apr.	3 p.m.
MANILA	"YUENGSANG"	Fri.	9th Apr.	11 a.m.
COB	"YUENGSANG"	Fri.	9th Apr.	3 p.m.
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SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVALS.

April 1st.

Kaifong, British str., 987 tons, Capt. Jones, from Haiphong and Pakhoi, with a general cargo.—B. & S.

Sinforup, Russian str., 1,493 tons, Capt. Stenberg, from Hongkong, with a cargo of coal.—R.V.L.

Tenshin Maru, Japanese str., 2,406 tons, Capt. Hideshima, from Bombay and Singapore, with a general cargo.—N.Y.K.

April 2nd.

Amherst, British str., 9,350 tons, Captain Jones, from Freemantle, with a cargo of sandalwood.—Ah Kwai.

Benvenue, British str., 6,000 tons, Capt. Ross, from Singapore, with a general cargo.—Gibb, Livingstone & Co.

Bolton Castle, British str., 5,828 tons, Capt. Howe, from New York, with a general cargo.—Dodwell & Co.

Chakra, British str., 3,962 tons, Capt. King, D.S.C., from Bombay, with a cargo of cotton.—P. & O.

Footling, British str., 1,427 tons, Capt. Robertson, from Canton, in ballast.—J. M. & Co.

Kam Fing Fat, Chinese str., 445 tons, Capt. Noronha, from Hoibow, with a general cargo.—Globe & Co.

Katori Maru, Japanese str., 9,834 tons, Capt. Tozawa, from Seattle, with a general cargo.—N.Y.K.

Shantung, British str., 1,860 tons, Capt. Monkman, from Shanghai, with a general cargo.—B. & S.

Shun Shing, Chinese str., 297 tons, Capt. Souza, from Kwong Chow Wan, with a general cargo.—Fo On & Co.

Sing Ma, French str., 234 tons, Captain Alexis, from Haiphong, with a general cargo.—Lapicque.

Tean, British str., 1,350 tons, Capt. W. Macdonald, from Canton, with a general cargo.—B. & S.

West Iron, American str., 8,900 tons, Capt. Wennerlund, from Seattle, with a general cargo.—Waterhouse & Co.

April 3rd.

Aizawa Maru, Japanese str., 790 tons, Captain Nara, from Keelung, with a cargo of coal.—Chu Kyoku Tso & Co.

Dereau, British str., 1,502 tons, Captain Benoit, from Saigon, with a cargo of rice.—Thai Trust.

Dileura, British str., 3,490 tons, Captain Babb, from Bombay, with a general cargo.—M. M. & Co.

Elbridge, American str., 5,468 tons, Capt. Borg, from Shanghai, with a general cargo.—Admiral Line.

Hakodite Maru, Japanese str., 3,253 tons, Capt. Kinoshita, from Moji, with a general cargo.—N.Y.K.

Hsin Ping An, Chinese str., 916 tons, Capt. Novik, from Dalny, with a general cargo.—Kwong Man Tai.

Hual Hin, Chinese str., 992 tons, Capt. Weeks, from Ching Wan Tao, with a cargo of coal.—Nemaze.

Jade, French str., 386 tons, Capt. Cornelsen, from Hoibow, with a general cargo.—Kai Yue.

Kamui Maru, Japanese str., 1,193 tons, Capt. Matsuo, from Keelung, with a cargo of coal.—M. B. & K.

Kwong Sang, British str., 1,623 tons, Capt. Richard, from Shanghai, with a general cargo.—J. M. & Co.

Lawlett, American str., 3,799 tons, Capt. Murry, from Shanghai, with a general cargo.—Admiral Line.

Sosha Maru, Japanese str., 1,006 tons, Capt. Harada, from Swatow, with a general cargo.—O.S.K.

Tak Sang, British str., 977 tons, Captain Ritchie, from Hoibow, with a general cargo.—J. M. & Co.

Unnan Maru, Japanese str., 1,420 tons, Capt. Ouchi, from Keelung, with a cargo of coal.—O. S. K.

April 4th.

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Canton	—	29.98	68	—	SW	2	—
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Gap Rock	—	29.91	—	—	—	—	—
Macao	—	29.93	70	—	WNW	4	—
Wuchow	9 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hoibow	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pakhoi	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Phulien	7 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tourane	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cape S. James	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dagupan	8 a.	29.88	73	88	SE	2	b
Manila	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Legaspi	—	29.86	68	83	SE	1	b
Tacloban	—	29.87	78	85	SE	3	b
Iloilo	—	29.80	77	89	SE	4	—
Surigao	—	42.0	29.83	—	—	—	—
Guam	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Labuan	6 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—

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2. TEMPERATURE, in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.

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5. FORCE OF WIND, according to Beaufort Scale.

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Empress of Russia	May 6	May 24
Empress of Japan	May 26	June 21
Empress of Asia	June 8	June 28
Monteagle	June 8	July 3
Empress of Russia	July 1	July 19
Empress of Japan	July 20	Aug. 10
Empress of Asia	July 29	Aug. 16
Monteagle	Aug. 12	Sept. 5
Empress of Russia	Aug. 26	Sept. 13
Empress of Japan	Sept. 14	Oct. 1
Empress of Asia	Sept. 23	Oct. 11

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KASHIMA MARU (calling Manila) ... Saturday, 31st May, at 11 a.m.

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DA KAR MARU ... Tuesday, 6th April.
TOYOOKA MARU ... Middle of May.

LIVERPOOL & MARSEILLES via Singapore, Colombo, Suez and Port Said.

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WAKASA MARU (calling Genoa) ... Beginning of May.

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NIKKO MARU ... Wednesday, 31st Apr./1st May.
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TANGO MARU ... Saturday, 22nd May, at 11 a.m.

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"EASTERN"	4,000	19th May	Sydney, Melbourne.

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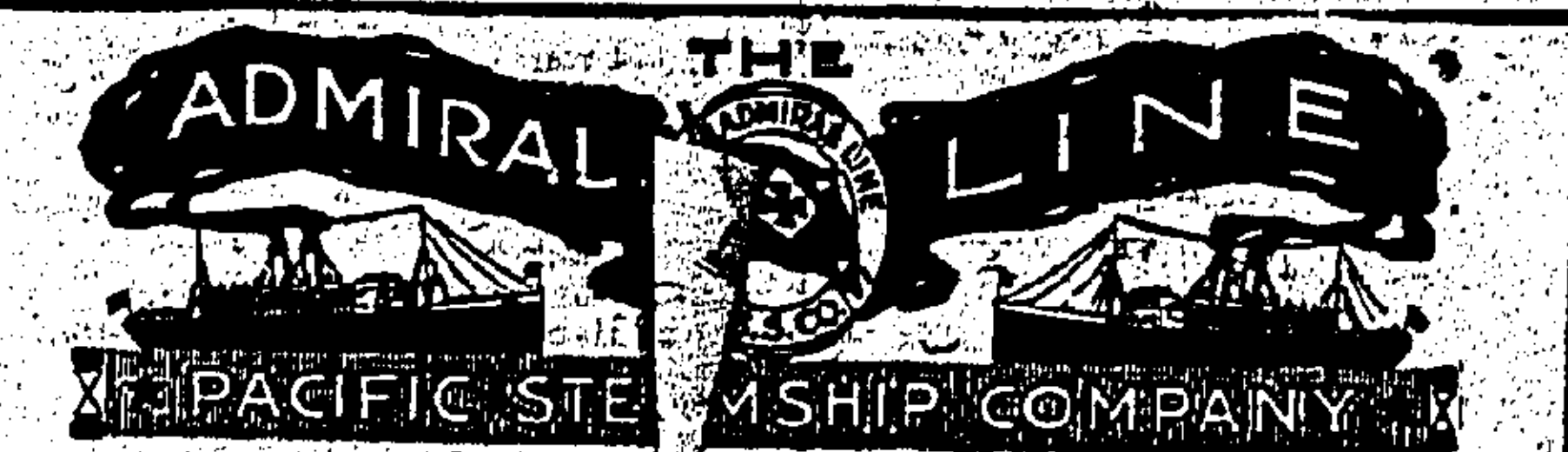
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